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SUBJECT: FISHING VESSEL GOLDEN DRAGON NUMBER ONE

FOLLOWING REPEAT CCGDSEVENTEEN JUNEAU AK 261448Z APR 78

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LAW ENFORCEMENT-FCMA VIOLATION TW/STRL GOLDEN DRAGON NO. 1 WESTERN

ALEUTIANS SITREP ONE.

1. SITUATION:

A. 22 APR 78 SUBJ VSL REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CEASE FISHING DUE TO

ENGINE PROBLEM AND RETURN TO TAIWAN. CCGD17 GRANTED PERMISSION TO VSL

TO CEASE FISHING IMMEDIATELY AND DEPART U.S. FCZ. GOLDEN DRAGON 1

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RESPONDED THAT HE CEASED FISHING AT 222050Z APR 78 IN POSIT 57-44N

174-12W.

B. 252015Z APR 78 SUBJ VSL OBSERVED FISHING IN POSIT 52-12.2N

174-06.9E BY COGARD HELO NR 1425 (EMBARKED ABOARD MORGENTHAU).

HELO MADE CLOSE ABOARD OBSERVATION OF FISHING ACTIVITY FOR APPROX  
FIVE MINUTES. TWO TRAWL WARPS WERE OBSERVED EXTENDING INTO WATER AT  
APPROX 45 DEGREE ANGLE. SUBJ VSL ON COURSE 190T SPEED 3 KTS. HELO

DEPARTED SCENE AFTER INITIAL OBSERVATION DUE TO LACK OF SPECIAL INTER

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IN VSL AT THAT TIME. NO REACTION SHOWN BY GOLDEN DRAGON 1 AT TIME OF INITIAL SIGHTING.

C. 252138Z APR 78 MORGENTHAU QUERIED CCGD17 ON CHECK IN/OUT STATUS OF SUBJ VSL. CCGD17 CHECKED RECORDS AND CONFIRMED THAT GOLDEN DRAGON 1

HAD CHECKED OUT AT 222050Z APR 78 IN POSIT 57-44N 174-12W.

D. 252310Z APR HC-130H CGNR 1504 ARR ON SCENE AND LOCATED SUBJ VSL IN

POSIT 51-54N 173-33E (APPROX 26 MILES FROM INITIAL POSIT). SUBJ U/W ON COURSE 250T, SPD 5 KTS. CGNR 1504 INITIATED HOT PURSUIT.

E. 260034Z APR GOLDEN DRAGON 1 SENT RADIO MSG ASKING WHY THE COAST GUARD AIRCRAFT WAS FLYING AROUND HIS VESSEL.

F. 260054Z APR CGNR 1425 RELIEVED CGNR 1504 OF HOT PURSUIT.

G. 260100Z APR RADSTA ADAK DELIVERED MSG FROM CCGD17 TO GOLDEN DRAGON 1 ORDERING VSL TO STOP IMMEDIATELY AND AWAIT ARRIVAL OF MORGENTHAU. GOLDEN DRAGON 1 RESPONDED WITHIN THREE MINUTES THAT HE COULD NOT STOP BECAUSE OF CLUTCH PROBLEMS.

H. 260143Z APR MORGENTHAU ESTABLISHED COMMS WITH SUBJ VSL ON CH-13 VHF; SUBJ VSL TURNED AROUND AND HEADED TOWARDS MORGENTHAU.

I. 260248Z APR MORGENTHAU BOARDING PARTY ABOARD GOLDEN DRAGON NO 1

J. BOARDING PARTY ASCERTAINED FOLLOWING EVIDENCE OF RECENT FISHING ACTIVITY:

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(1) SIX RELATIVELY FRESH FISH WERE FOUND ON DECK. A FEW SMALL TANNER CRAB WERE ALSO FOUND ON DECK. ALSO DISTINCTLY OLD FISH WERE FOUND ON DECK PROVIDING GOOD CONTRAST REGARDING FRESHNESS OF AFORE MENTIONED SIX FRESH FISH.

(2) SHARP FREEZERS, THAWED, CLEANED AND EMPTY. FISH BINS CLEAN AND DRY. TWELVE RELATIVELY FRESH HEADED AND GUTTED FISH WERE FOUND IN A TRAY BEHIND A FLASH FREEZER.

(3) DAMP NET (SYNTHETIC FIBER) FOUND UNDER TARP. DECK UNDER DAMP NET DRY INDICATING NET HAD BEEN HUNG TO DRY (AS WAS OBSERVED BY CGNR 1504) AND RECENTLY PUT UNDER TARP.

K. FOLLOWING CONSIDERED TO BE IN AGGRAVATION OF SITUATION.

(1) MASTER DENIES HAVING FISHED SINCE 22 APR CHECK OUT.

(2) MASTER STATED THAT VSL MAX SPEED 7.9 KTS DUE TO ENGINEERING PROBLEMS. TIME/DISTANCE BTWN INITIAL SIGHTING AND TIME CGNR 1504 INDICATES MINIMUM SPEED OF 9 KNOTS DURING THAT TIME PERIOD; SPEED HIGHER THAN 9 KTS PROBABLE SINCE SOME TIME WAS INVOLVED IN PULLING TRAWL NET. CGNR 1504 ESTIMATED GOLDENDRAGON 1 SPEED AT 10 KTS DURING TIME CGNR 1504 ON SCENE.

(3) BOARDING PARTY EXTRACTED TWO FRESH POLLOCK FROM NET AND PLACED POLLOCK ON DECK. WHILE BOARDING PARTY WAS OTHERWISE OCCUPIED, THE TWO

FRESH POLLOCK DISAPPEARED.

L. BREAKDOWN OF GOLDEN DRAGON 1 CATCH SINCE ARRIVAL ON GROUNDS 16  
APR 78 IS AS FOLLOWS (BASED ON VSL CUMULATIVE CATCH LOG):

SPECIES	CATCH (METRIC TONS)
ATKA MACKEREL	0.6
YELLOWFIN SOLE	0.2
FLOUNDERS, OTHER	1.1
POLLOCK	50.9
PACIFIC COD	0.8
PACIFIC	
OCEAN PERCH	0.1
TOTAL	53.7

ONE FISH HOLD 75 PER CENT FULL; OTHER HOLD EMPTY.

M. INFO ON GOLDEN DRAGON 1. BUILT 1967. 1900 TONS. LENGTH 255 FT.

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2. PLANS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. BOTH CCGD17 AND NMFS JUNEAU CONCUR IN RECOMMENDING THAT  
STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION BE ISSUED FOR SEIZURE OF TW/STRL GOLDEN  
DRAGON 1 FOR VIOLATION OF 16 USC 1857

B. CGC MORGENTHAU TO DETAIN SUBJ VSL PENDING DECISION ON  
STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION. UNQUOTE. VANCE

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